1. Ethiopia

**Ethiopians condemn arrest of strike organizers that caused 'flight disruption'**

Several Ethiopians have condemned the arrest of the organizers of an industrial action by the Air Traffic Controllers (ATCs) in the country. On Monday, state affiliated Fana BC reported that Federal Police Commission had detained nine individuals on suspicion of attempting to disrupt international flights and coordinating a strike that began last week. The suspects were attempting to disrupt international flights and prevent planes from landing at the airport, “Tekora Aifokru,” Deputy Commissioner General said. Africa News

2. Democratic Republic of Congo

**DR Congo’s top court confirms Bemba’s exclusion from presidential election**

It is official! Democratic Republic of Congo’s opposition leader Jean Pierre Bemba will not be a candidate in the December 23 presidential poll, after the country’s highest court validated the rejection of his candidacy by the electoral commission. Africa News

**Top DR Congo court excludes Bemba from presidential race**

The Democratic Republic of Congo’s highest court on Monday ended former warlord Jean-Pierre Bemba’s bid to stand in this year’s presidential election, upholding an earlier ban imposed on him for bribing witnesses. “The constitutional court confirms the ineligibility of Jean-Pierre Bemba Gombo for suborning witnesses by resorting to bribery,” said the court’s president, announcing the ruling. Capital News

3. Kenya

**10 Central Kenya Governors urge Uhuru to stem rise in fuel tax**
Ten Governors from Central Kenya are now urging President Uhuru Kenyatta to stem the rise in fuel tax following public outcry since the 16 per cent VAT on petroleum products came to effect on Saturday last week. Capital News

4. Nigeria

**Germany hosts Boko Haram crisis talks**

Nigeria, Germany, Norway and the UN on Monday opened talks in Berlin on the $1.56 billion (Sh100bn) Boko Haram humanitarian funds requirement. The two-day conference is one of the 2018 largest pledging forums for the Lake Chad region. Daily Nation

5. South Africa

**Land reform emerges as latest pressure point for battered rand**

The emerging-market sell-off may have already battered South Africa’s rand, but it could get worse as traders fret about a push for land reform that may have far-reaching economic consequences and is catching the attention of world leaders. News24

**White South African workers to strike over perks for blacks**

A South African trade union launched a protest Monday against plans by the country's Sasol chemicals company to exclude white staff from a new employee share-ownership scheme. Solidarity, which has mainly white members including 6,300 at Sasol, said employees of the company's Secunda plant southeast of Johannesburg would strike on Thursday. Daily Nation

6. Uganda

**Those guys are heartless': Bobi Wine narrates torture ordeal**

Ugandan legislator Robert Kyagulanyi, commonly known as Bobi Wine has narrated a horrific tale of torture, merciless beating and inhumane treatment that he was taken through at the hands of state operatives, over the past three weeks, “they beat me, punched me, and kicked me with their boots. No part of my body was spared. They hit my eyes, mouth and nose. They hit my elbows and my knees. Those guys are heartless!”Read part of the statement that the legislator posted on his Facebook page. Africa News